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President R. A. Falconer LLD.
University of Toronto.
Toronto

Dear Sir

I am sending you by to-day's mail a copy of President Wilson's War Message with various annotations which are intended to elucidate the text. A small group of the Minnesota faculty are turning out considerable material for the Committee of Public Information at Washington and we are hopeful that it may serve a good purpose in bringing before the public some of the most important facts in the war and the principles which are at stake.

You will be interested to know that several former Toronto men are taking a prominent part in connection with the work of the Committee on Public Information. Prof. W. A. Braun/95 now a member of the faculty of Columbia University has supervision over the German American newspapers of the country and Prof Shotwell of the same institution is directing the publication of many of the government documents.

Sincerely Yours
Chas D. Allin.

"Maplewood", Huntsville, Ont.

Aug. 22 1917.

My dear Professor Allin,

I have just read with great interest presidentis Wilson's momentous War Message as edited and published by the Committee of public information. It is admirably done; the idea is excellent ; it has been most clearly carried out; and I should think it is just what the great mass of the people need in order to stir up their minds by way of remembrance. I congratulate you upon the share you have taken in the enterprise. Shotwell has told about what he has been doing in the way of war work. I am very glad that at this time you and other Toronto graduates have now found such splendid scope for your patriotic efforts, which I know will be exercised with accuracy and enthusiasm.

With kindest regards I am yours sincerely,

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December 21st., 1917

Professor C. D. Allin,

University of Minnesota.

Dear Professor Allin:

I have to thank you for the copy of the Minnesota Law Review with your article on the English and German Prize Cases. You will note that my judgment on such an article is not of the slightest value, but it is certainly very interesting to read and I should suppose is based on a very thorough and well balanced examination of the evidence. I congratulate you on your work and with kind regards and best wishes for the New Year,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

May 17th, 1918

Professor C. D. Allin,

University of Minnesota.

Dear Professor Allin:

I have to thank you for the copy of your monograph on "Tariff Relations of the Australian Colonies" and at the same time congratulate you on being able notwithstanding pressure of the war duties to maintain such a high standard of work.

It is interesting to know that Canadians are in such strong force on the Law Faculty of Minnesota. It is a pity that we are not able to provide more openings for our Canadians in Canada. However, with the growth of our institutions there will be I am sure a change in the future. As to the productive scholarship of Canada naturally we cannot compete with the larger institutions of the United States, and our own smaller institutions are simply getting under way. However, there is a large and increasing volume of work done in Toronto, some of it of a very high order, and I have not any doubt but that after the war we shall be able to improve our condition in this matter.

Yesterday we had a unique day at Convocation. The Earl of Reading and Mr. Root both came and received honorary degrees, and they both made a remarkable impression in the city. Our intention was to celebrate the close union between the two countries, and our object was realised in the fullest possible way.

Of course nearly all our men students have disappeared. We have

now over 4500 on active service, and our death roll has been lengthening out rapidly; 383 have fallen. However, in this way our youth have been serving not only their country but the worl and coming civilisation in a magnificent way. We do not need to learn from anybody in the higher things of life as far as sacrifice and real heroism are concerned.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.